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In re application of : Woodrow Woods
Serial No. : 08/990,821
Filed : December 15, 1997
For : **WATER JACKETED EXHAUST PIPE FOR
MARINE EXHAUST SYSTEMS**
Examiner : Thomas E. Denion
Art Unit : 3748
Our File No. : 1042.B101

RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF OUTSTANDING DRAWING REQUIREMENT

Hon. Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Applicant hereby responds to the Notice of Outstanding Drawing Requirement mailed on 02/07/00 and states as follows.

A Notice of Allowability and Notice of Allowance and Issue Fee Due were mailed on 08/16/99. Pursuant to the Notice of Allowability, Applicant was required to submit formal drawings. On November 16, 1999, Applicant fully and in a timely manner, responded to the Notice of Allowance and submitted formal drawings along with an issue fee and Power of Attorney (and revocation of prior powers) naming the undersigned as attorney of record. Attached hereto as composite Exhibit "A" is a copy of Applicant's response mailed on 11/16/99 including: (1) Applicant's Issue Fee and Formal Drawings Transmittal; (2) Part B- Issue Fee Transmittal (PTOL-85B); (3) Power of Attorney (and revocation of prior powers); (4) CERTIFICATE OF MAILING (11/16/99); (5) Return Postcard; and (6) Formal Drawings (8 sheets- FIGS. 1 – 13).

A Notice of Outstanding Drawing Requirement was mailed to Applicant's prior attorney (Kevin Crosby) on 02/07/00 stating that the requirement for formal drawings made in the Notice of Allowability has not been satisfied.

In view of Applicant's response mailed on 11/16/99, Applicant respectfully submits that corrected formal drawings were timely submitted and requests confirmation of same. In an abundance of caution, Applicant has enclosed additional copies of the corrected formal drawings in the event that the formal drawings submitted on 11/16/99 have not been located. In addition, Applicant submits herewith a Change of Correspondence Address form to insure that all future communications are properly received.

Accordingly, Applicant respectfully submits that the requirement for formal drawings was satisfied by Applicant's timely filing on November 16, 1999 and requests that this case be passed to issuance. Should the Examiner have any concerns or comments, the undersigned would appreciate a telephone conference in order to expedite this case.

Respectfully submitted,



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CERTIFICATE OF EXPRESS MAILING

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the following correspondence: **RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF OUTSTANDING DRAWING REQUIREMENT (with composite Exhibit "A"); CHANGE OF CORRESPONDENCE ADDRESS; and SUPPLEMENTAL COPIES OF FORMAL DRAWINGS FILED ON 11/16/99 (8 SHEETS)** is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as Express Mail No. **EK222651794US**, addressed to: Assistant Commissioner of Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231, Attn: Thomas Hawkins, Drawing Processing Branch, on this 16th day of February, 2000, and are being forwarded to Thomas Hawkins, Drawing Processing Branch, Office of Patent Publications, 2231 Crystal Drive, Crystal Park 3, Suite 910, Arlington, VA 22202 by Federal Express and by facsimile at (703) 305-4372.

I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code.



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APPLICANT'S ISSUE FEE AND FORMAL DRAWINGS TRANSMITTAL

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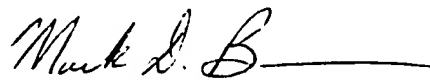
Dear Sir:

Please find enclosed payment for the \$635.00 issue fee (and ten copies) and formal drawings. As instructed by the Notice of Draftperson's Patent Drawing Review included in the office action dated April 1, 1999, Applicant has corrected, and hereby submits the enclosed drawings. No new matter was added.

Also enclosed is an executed Power of Attorney (and revocation of prior powers) in favor of the undersigned.

Should the Examiner have any concerns or comments, the undersigned would appreciate a telephone conference in order to expedite this case.

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